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Dean Peterson, Chairman Don Etzel and Bill Drommer, Co-Chairman

From the Secretary's Desk:

The holidays are over & dues time is here for the INA. The dues are rolling in keeping me busy with book work. That is the time to put suggestions on the yellow sheet for your organization. I have gotten some suggestions this year which will be brought up & discussed at the mid-year Board meeting at Ames on Saturday.

We are also saddened by finding out by notes on dues statements of the loss of two member - Kenneth Birchmeier of Pulaski & Dan Parker of Detroit. We were also saddened to find the H-L Coin Club from Grand Junction has folded. Hope all the other Clubs have renewed interest for 1980.

I have had several requests lately for our mailing list! As you know, we don't give the list to anyone. The list of the Coin Clubs which are INA members we give for a good purpose only to people we know. That way your name is protected as well as mine. You may wonder then how you got a letter asking if you had coins to add to the Cunningham Auction which was at the State Show last fall. These letters were ready for mailing & our addressing company addressed them & mailed them right there. They were not given to anyone, so no leaks of membership could happen.

I hope this is a good year for each of you in the hobby - may you each find the exact coin you have wanted for your collection at a price you like this coming year. Well - we can dream, can't we?

Numismatically,

JoAnn Peters

From the President:

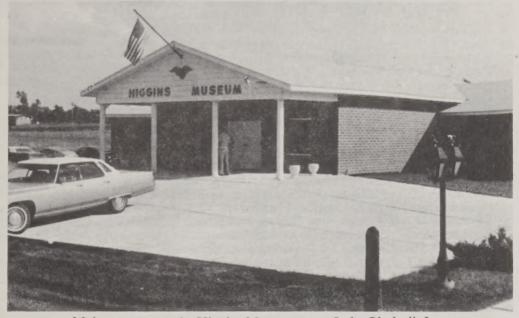
Spring is once again just around the corner & with it comes the season of many coin shows. When you read this the Mid-Iowa-Coin-Arama will again be history.

Just a reminder - we will again soon be putting names on the ballot for your officers for the next two years. We elect one officer from each district but we also elect 4 directors-at-large. After these votes are placed for these positions, the balance of the votes go to the highest name. That is how some Districts get 2 directors. If your district needs more representation then you now get, get nominations on the ballot & encourage the INA members in your district to vote! If you live in a district too that has no director-at-large, again get the nominations on the ballot & get out the vote.

I think I can safely say this has been the most volatile year the coin market has ever experienced. All silver & gold coins, as well as most of the others, have experienced sudden changes - predominately higher. I think for most of us in coin collecting it has been a rewarding year. Looking 10 years into the future, will it help the hobby? By then, I hope so, but I wonder if it will. There are a lot of nice coins being melted for silver. I guess time will tell!

As ever - your President,

Harry Peters



Main entrance to the Higgins Museum, near Lake Okoboji, Iowa

OKOBOJI TO BE SCENE OF EXPANDED PAPER MONEY EVENTS LABOR DAY WEEK-END

According to information firmed up at the INA board meeting in Ames Saturday, the Paper Money Seminar held at the Higgins Paper Money Museum last August, could become the first of a long series of similar events.

The dates of Saturday and Sunday, August 30 and 31, have been chosen as this

year's dual event.

One event will be the holding of an open house and paper money seminar in the Bill Higgins Museum.

The second event will be the Iowa Great Lakes Coin and Paper Money Show, which

will headquarter in Brooks Best Western Lodge.

Watch for more information!



John Hickman, curator, and Bill Higgins, chairman of the board of the Higgins Museum.

State Wide Club Meeting Nights

Algona - Kossuth County - 2nd Thursday, Security State Bank, State Street Ames - Last Wednesday, University Drive-in Bank, 7:30

Burlington - Last Tuesday, 2nd floor Arion Restaurant, 7:30 Cedar Falls - Last Wednesday, Cedar Falls Utility Bldg., 7:30

Cedar Rapids - 3rd Wednesday, People's Bank West

Central Iowa, Marshalltown - 3rd Wednesday, Fisher Community Room

Clarion - 3rd Friday, Iowa Public Service Meeting Room, 7:30

Davenport - 1st Wednesday, Northwest Bank & Trust, Locust Street Des Moines - 1st Tuesday, Mott Auditorium, YMCA, 101 Locust

Donnellson - 2nd Thursday, Donnellson Depot, Mill Street, 7:30

Forest City - 2nd Tuesday, IOOF Hall

Fort Dodge - 1st Thursday, Fort Dodge, YWCA, 7:30

Fort Madison - 3rd Monday, Savings & Loan Drive-in, 4505 Ave. L., 7:30

Grinnell - 2nd Monday, American Legion Hall

Illowa Coin Club, Clinton - 3rd Thursday at Clinton Women's Club Room

Independence - 3rd Saturday, Courthouse basement

Iris City Mount Pleasant - 1st Thursday, Courtesy Room, Henry Co. Savings Keokuk - 4th Thursday, Keokuk Senior High Cafeteria, 2285 Middle Road

Marion - 1st Tuesday Farmers State Bank

Mason City - 3rd Monday, basement of Master Chiropractic Clinic, N. Federal

Newton - 3rd Thursday, basement of shopping center

Oskaloosa - 1st Monday, Oskaloosa Home Loan & Savings

Ottumwa - 4th Tuesday, Labor Hall on North Green St.

Port City Muscatine - 4th Tuesday, YMCA, 312 Iowa Ave., 7:30

Red Oak - 1st Monday, Farmers Mercantile on old Highway 34, 7:30 Siouxland - 2nd Thursday, Elks Lodge, 722 Douglas, Sioux City

Storm Lake - 3rd Thursday, Chautauqua Park Shelter House, 7:30 W. 8:00 S

Waterloo - 2nd Thursday, Waterloo Recreation Center

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Webster City - Wednesday, Municipal Bldg., 7:30

Show Calendar

March 15 & 16 - Cedar Rapids Spring

Coin Club Show, Sheraton March 29-30 - Fort Madison Spring

Coin & Hobby Show, Holiday Inn April 12-13 - Forest City Coin &

Collectible, Auditorium

April 5 - Iris City Coin Club Spring Bourse & Auction, Auction 7:30, Henry County Savings Bank, Mt. Pleasant,

April 17-20 - 41st Annual Convention of the Central States Numismatic Society Pershing Auditorium, Lincoln, Nebraska

April 25 - Burlington Spring Auction 7:30 p.m., Hawkeye Bank Community Room, Jefferson Street

April 27 - Port City Coin Club Show,

Muscatine, Holiday Inn

May 31-June 1 - Des Moines Coin Club Show, Fort Des Moines Hotel

September 27-28 - Webster City Coin Club Annual Coin, Antique & Stamp

October 25-26 - Clarion Coin & Antique Show

October 25-26 - Burlington Club Show, Burlington Municipal Auditorium

We are saddened by the loss of two members - Kenneth Birchmeier of Pulaski, a dedicated member of the Iowa Numismatic Association. Mr. Dan Parker, past president of the Central States Numismatic Society, passed away February 7. Mr. Parker was from Detroit, Michigan & had been a judge & speaker at past INA Conventions.

Club News

The Webster City Coin Collectors held their December meeting December 11 at the Christopher Jays Restaurant. After a buffet supper enjoyed by 70 members & guests, the business meeting was held. Following the routine business the following officers were elected. President, Glen Lyaden; Vice President, Charles Larson; Secretary, Earl Rienhardt; Treasurer, Clarice Coghlan. Directors are: Jurry Wells & Bob Miller. Before adjourning, a drawing was held with various members winning prizes.

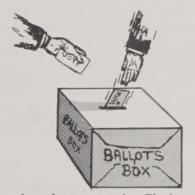
Webster City Coin Club have selected September 27-28, Saturday & Sunday, for

their annual Coin, Antiques & Stamp Show.

Burlington Coin Club officers for 1980 are: President - Robert Weddle, Vice President - Gary Kirby, Secretary-Treasurer-Kaye Weddle, Historian-Paul Lyons. Board of Directors: William Nelson, Roger Christensen, Robert Hoschek.

New by-law books are going to be issued upon payment of 1980 dues. Slides of the 40th Anniversary & the Central States Convention were shown at the December

Burlington Coin Club will hold their Spring Auction Friday, April 25 at the Hawkeye Bank Community Room on Jefferson Street, 7:30 p.m.



Clarion Coin Club Flects:

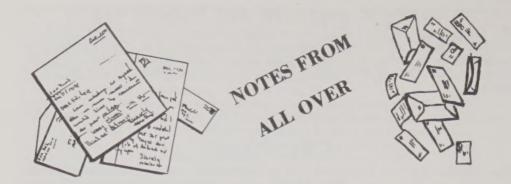
Officers elected to serve the Clarion Coin Club are President, Curt Pegg; Vice President, W.B. Houser; Secretary, Wayne Ebert; Treasurer, Maurice Harson; Auction Clerk, Jim Judson; 1980 Show Chairman, Bill Houser & the Directors are: Myron Price, Jim Judson, Harry Peters, Dick Simpson & Don Watts.

Some of the items on the February Auction are a 1907 Leather Post Card, an 1882 Coal Report from the Woolstock Station, A Clarion Post Card, a 1932 Illinois Chauffeur's Badge, 1933 depression script from Mason City, A George Washington medal from the 1932 Bi-Centennial & a \$5.00 Silver Certificate series of 1896 with the picture of "Chief Onepapa".

The next meeting of the Clarion Coin Club will be Thursday, February 21st at 7:00

p.m. in the Iowa Public Service Room & you are welcome to attend.

The January coin auction of the Clarion Club was to have had a special selection of U.S. stamps & the February auction is having Washington, Lincoln & Valentine items. The Clarion Coin & Antique Show will be held Saturday & Sunday, October 25-26.



Cedar Rapids held a Christmas party at their December meeting. The club furnished pop & coffee & donuts. Members were to bring baked goods. Sounds like they had a "sweet" time.

The November meeting included a presentation by a local investment firm Hayden Stone, member of the major stock exchanges. Delivering the presentation was Mr. Mike Langer, a commodities expert. He is familiar with the markets relating to bags of silver, silver dollars & krugerands.

New officers for the club are: President, Rick Lucas; Vice President, Nevin Roberts; Secretary, Frank Dean; Treasurer, Stan Miller. Board of Directors: John Kelso, Jim

Hamling, Lou Strnad, Aaron Thompson.

The spring show of the Cedar Rapids Coin Club is scheduled for 15-16 of March at the Sheraton.

The Donnellson Coin Club will be changing their meeting place as of next month. They will be meeting at the "Old Depot" located in the park. The December meeting was enjoyed with a carry in supper featuring chicken & cold drink. Later traveling bingo was played & prizes won.

The December meeting of the Fort Madison Coin Club included the annual

Christmas Grab Bag & after the auction traveling bingo was played.

Newly elected officers for the Fort Madison are: President, David Watznauer; Vice President, Albert Young; Secretary-Treasurer, Daniel Gabel, Jr.; Historian, Betty Willits, Bessie Geyer, Gene Schutte, Lynn Sears. David Watznauer is the youngest to serve as president of the club. He is 15 years old & a sophomore in high school.

Saturday & Sunday, March 29-30 were the dates chosen for their spring show to be

held at the Holiday Inn.

The spring Bourse & Auction of the Iris City Coin Club, Mt. Pleasant will be held one day, April 5. The auction will start at 7:30 p.m. This will be held in the basement of the Henry County Savings Bank, East Washington Street, Mt. Pleasant.

1980 officers will be President, Kenneth Knowles; Vice President, Dr. J.W. Kral;

Secretary-Treasurer, Miriam Cathey.

Keokuk December meeting included a carry in supper & traveling bingo. Also in addition to the usual drawings for two cash prizes & a proof set. Five general door prizes were given away to those attending.

The Port City Coin Club will hold its annual Spring Show on April 27, 1980, (Sunday), at the Muscatine Holiday Inn, Highways 61 & 38 North. Hours for the Show will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m (DST). Show chairman is Donald Fennell 1517 Devitt, Muscatine, Iowa 52761. Free Admission.

Ed Note: The following article was sent to me by Mr. Pat Hogan & is reprinted by permission from Scrip Talk, Official Publication of National Scrip Collector's Association, Vol. 3 Nos. 25-26, May, July 1974.

Since publication of this article additional tokens have been identified in Edkin's Catalogue of Coal Company Store Scrip, published by National Scrip Collectors's Assoc. (1977). These include additional varieties or denominations for Colfax Merchantile Co., Ottumwa's Black Diamond Stores & identifications of coal stores for Centerville, Lucas (Osgood, Hunter Bros. & Olson), Mystic (Lodwick Bros.) & Plover.

Information on membership in NSCA can be obtained from Walter Caldwell,

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Coal in the Cornfields

By Patrick D. Hogan Iowa City, Iowa

I believe that it is safe to say that few Americans would list Iowa as a coal-producing state in a poll. The statement that Iowa - famous for its agricultural products - was ranked first among states west of the Mississippi River in commercial coal production until surpassed by Colorado in 1900 would be surprising to all but the very knowledgeable in American coal mining history. Even the average Iowan may be unaware of the large deposits of coal in the state. And, it is no wonder! Iowa's soil is 95% arable & is said to contain one-fourth of all the grade A soil in the United States. The terrain of Iowa is typified by gently rolling hills & plains. Though Iowa is not flat, no one will accuse it of being mountainous. For it is a fact that the highest point in the state is "lost" in some field in the far north. (Or as one wit put it, "It is probable that the highest point in Iowa is in Minnesota!") There is a man who has ascended the highest peaks in every state of the Union. In Iowa it was a mere stroll in a hayfield. (The state's high point is 1675 feet.) Such a terrain does not bring to the mind coal mining!

However, Iowa lies in the western interior coal basin, which extends southward to eastern Oklahoma. The western basin coal is essentially no different that the coal of the eastern basin which includes almost the entire state of Illinois. In geological ages past the area between the two basins was thrust up so that the coal beds were eroded away. Coal was discovered in Iowa in 1835 & the first coal mine was opened in 1840. By 1886 there were 508 coal mines in the state. The majority of these were in the south central counties of the state, especially in the counties along the Des Moines River. Needless to

say, most Iowa mines were strip mines.

Typical amongst the coal-producing counties of Iowa is Wapello County. Coal mining had its start in this county as early as 1857. "The coal in the county lies at no great depth below the surface. There is no mine that is over 130 feet deep & most of them are less than 100 feet. In many places the seams outcrop along the sides of the valleys." (1) In 1867 some of the mines in the county were: C. Dudley & Co. (near Dudley), Henry Schock & Co. (Happy Hollow), Brown & Godfrey Union Mine (near Kab), & Alpine Coal Co. (near Clifford). In 1877: Union Coal Co. & Postlewait mine. Thickness of coal beds vary greatly. The large majority being worked were four to five feet thick. "In nearly one-half of the mines steam power is used for hoisting the coal & in most of the remainder horse gin is employed. The room & pillar system of mining is

the only one employed in the county, & the coal is shot from the solid without any undercutting. The Eldon Coal & Mining Co. for several years tried the Jeffery mining machine, but its use was finally discontinued on account of the stony concretions in the coal, which injured the machine & caused much trouble. The coal is now mined entirely

by hand." (2)

Coal played such an important part in the economy of Wapello County & its county seat of Ottumwa that in 1890 the Ottumwa businessmen secured subscriptions of over \$20,000 to build a Coal Palace. This building was not build of coal, but coal was used "in a judicious & artistic manner" so that the coal seemed to be the predominating feature. It was used for exhibition of various agricultural & mechanical products & housed a museum for coal mining tools & other paraphenalia, & had a replica of a coal mine in the basement. Certainly coal mining played a part in bringing to Iowa a segment of the world population for the purpose of mining the coal. Undoubtedly many a migrant left the coal fields of Appalachia to take up his skills in Iowa, & many an immigrant sought to continue their trade learned in the old country in the fields of Iowa. John L. Lewis, for example, was the descendent of several generations of Welsh coal miners, one of which immigrated to the Iowa fields. Lewis, born in Lucas, Iowa, began his career as an Iowa coal miner. Harold Carter, present supervisor of the Big Ben Coal Mine near Williamson (a stone's throw from Lucas) is a migrant from the fields of western Kentucky.

One wonders if Lewis saw all of the abuses of the coal mining society during his period as a minor in Iowa. We do know that the coal mines of Iowa owned & operated "company stores" & some of them made use of metal tokens & paper scrip. But it is not known if the tokens were issued to miners as a portion of their wagers, as it is said was the practice in the East, nor is it known to the author of this article if various other mining company abuses were as prevalent in the Iowa fields as in the East. Lewis travelled the country for twelve years before meeting Samuel Gompers who gave him the position as legislative agent for the United Mine Workers of America in 1909.

Coal mining in Iowa is today a mere shadow of its former self. Today there are only nine mines in operation, of which only two are shaft mines. These produce less than a million tons per year. Iowa mining fell off drastically after World War II due to the easy availability of natural gas. Also due to the fact that Iowa coal is expensive to mine. The sulphur content is too high, & requires washing. On the otherhand, the State requires strip miners to return the surface to an acceptable condition after the coal has been extracted. Southern Iowa has many pockets of desolate wastes as a result of past strip mining. Despite these drawbacks there are many schemes afoot today to renew the

effort to get at this coal.

Coal scrip collectors are well familiary with the two major books on coal tokens, Walter Caldwell's Coal Company Scrip (1969) & Gordon Dodrills 20,000 Coal Company Stores in the United States, (1971). The former contains no Iowa tokens. The later, which is a directory of coal company stores in the period of the early twentieth century, lists many Iowa coal companies & their stores, but only six are starred, indicating that tokens for these stores are known. We may add to this list by crosschecking Lewis K. Ferguson's Trade Tokens of Iowa (1972). Appended is a listing of Iowa stores listed in Dodrill which do not bear the name of the coal company that owns them (that is, the Coal-Field Fuel Company Store or the Hawkeye Coal Store names which contain the specific words pertaining to coal - are not listed here.) Stores which are known to have issued tokens, & which are cataloged by Ferguson, are underlined. In two cases, Fowler & Wilson Coal Co. & W.D. Johnson & Co. of Boone, Dodrill has given them an asterisk, but tokens for these companies are not known to Ferguson. This list is necessarily incomplete. As previously mentioned, the Dodrill directory is good only for the period of ca. 1900-30, which is not the peak period in Iowa coal mining (1886). Perhaps more of the stores which issued Iowa tokens listed by Ferguson were owned by coal mining companies. And no account is taken here of paper scrip. A catalog of the Iowa tokens & scrip is appended to the end of this paper.

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Catalog of Known Coal Company Related Tokens

ALBIA - (Gantz & Kellogg Mercantile Co. had a store here)

AVERY - (Gantz & Kellogg)

BIDWELL-GANTZ & KELLOGG/MERCANTILE/CO./BIDWELL, IOWA GOOD FOR/25/IN MERCHANDISE Rd. brass 27mm

GOOD FOR 25/1N MERCHANDISE Rd. brass 2/mm GANTZ & KELLOGG/MERC. CO./BIDWELL, IOWA GOOD FOR 25/1N MERCHANDISE Rd. brass 27mm

BOONE - (W.D. Johnson & Co. - listed in Dodrill)

BUSSEY - (Gantz & Kellogg)?

COLFAX - COLFAX MERCANTILE CO./COLFAX,/IOWA GOOD FOR/1¢/IN MERCHANDISE rd. brass 18mm

COLFAX MERCANTILE CO.,/COLFAX/IOWA
GOOD FOR/5¢/IN MERCHANDISE rd. brass & alum. 21mm

Same, but bow tie replaces diamond on obverse

EVERIST - THE EVERIST/MERCANTILE/CO./EVERIST, IOWA

GOOD FOR/5¢/IN MERCHANDISE oct. brass 21mm

Same, but rd. alum. 21mm Same, but 10¢ oct. brass 22mm Same, but 25¢ rd. brass 28mm

Same, but 50¢, with ornate 50 rd. brass 21mm

Same, but plain 50¢

Same, but \$1.00 rd. brass 35mm

GEORGETOWN - (Gantz & Kellogg store)

HOCKING - HOCKING SUPPLY CO./GENERAL/MERCHANDISE/HOCKING, IOWA

GOOD FOR/1¢/IN MERCHANDISE rd. brass 18mm

HOCKING SUPPLY CO./GENERAL/MERCHANDISE/HOCKING, IOWA GOOD FOR/10¢/IN MERCHANDISE rd. brass 25mm
HYNES - AVERY SUPPLY CO.,/1900/P.H. HYNES, MGR./HYNES, IOWA

GOOD FOR/10¢/IN MERCHANDISE ONLY sq. alum. 25mm

Same, but 25¢ scalloped - alum. 27mm

JEROME - THE BIG 4 SUPPLY/COMPANY/JEROME,/IOWA GOOD FOR/10¢/IN/MERCHANDISE rd. alum. 22mm

LADDSDALE - LADDSDALE SUPPLY CO./LADDSDALE,/IOWA

GOOD FOR/10¢/IN MERCHANDISE rd. alum. 25mm LOVILIA - MAPLE SUPPLY CO./LOVILIA, IOWA

GOOD FOR/10¢/IN/MERCHANDISE oct. brass 25mm

Same, but 25¢ rd. brass 28mm
Same, but \$1.00 oct. brass 36mm
LUCAS - LUCAS SUPPLY CO./LUCAS, IOWA
GOOD FOR/5¢/IN MERCHANDISE rd. brass 21mm

Same, but 25¢ rd. alum. 28mm

(Paper scrip for Chariton Coal Co., 5¢ (1884) is known)

OTTUMWA - BLACK DIAMOND STORE/B.D.S./TRADE/CHECK/1904/OTTUMWA, IOWA

GOOD FOR/5¢/IN MERCHANDISE rd. brass & alum. 20mm

Same, 10¢ rd. brass & alum. 23mm Same, 25¢ rd. brass & alum. 25mm Same, 50¢ rd. brass & alum. 29mm

1894/BLACK/DIAMOND/STORE/OTTUMWA, IOWA GOOD FOR/5/CENTS/IN MERCHANDISE oct. alum. 25mm

Same, 10 rd. alum. 25mm Same, 25 scalloped - 8 alum.

BLACK DIAMOND STORE COMPANY/GENERAL/OFFICE/OTTUMWA,/IOWA GOOD FOR MERCHANDISE ONLY AT STORES OF THIS COMPANY/TRADE CHECK/5¢/1910 rd, brass 20mm

BLACK DIAMOND STORE COMPANY/HENRY PHILLIPS PREST (in script)/GENERAL OFFICE/OTTUMWA, IOWA GOOD FOR MERCHANDISE ONLY AT STORES OF THIS COMPANY/TRADE CHECK/25¢/1910 rd. white metal 28mm

(Paper scrip: Phillips Coal & Mining Co. 5¢ 1885 Western Supply Co. 10¢ 1883)

PERSHING - PERSHING MERCANTILE CO./PERSHING, IOWA GOOD FOR/1¢/IN TRADE rd. alum. 18mm

RATHBUN - Fowler & Wilson Coal Co. (listed in Dodrill)

SEEVERS - COLFAX MERCANTILE CO./SEEVERS,/IOWA GOOD FOR/1¢/IN MERCHANDISE rd. brass 18mm

Same, but 50¢ brass & alum. 31mm Same, but \$1.00 rd. brass 35mm WARD - WARD SUPPLY CO./WARD, IOWA GOOD FOR 10¢ IN MERCHANDISE rd. brass 25mm

A listing of Iowa stores listed in Dodrill book which do not bear the name of a coal company. Stores which are known to have issued tokens & which are catalogued by Ferguson are underlined! Also noted are stores listed by Dodrill with an asterisk indicating that tokens from them are known!

IOWA STORES OWNED BY COAL COMPANIES: American Supply Co. (Olivet, Flagler) -- Apanoose (County) Supply Co. (Cincinnati, Mendota, Mo.) -- Avery Supply Co. (Hiteman, Avery) not listed for Avery in Dodrill - B & B Supply Co. (Lakonta) --O.W. Baker Store (Blakesburg) -- Wm. Baker & Co. Store (Des Moines) (Carbondale) -- Big Four Supply Co. (Jerome) -- Bird Supply Co. (Lehigh) -- Black Diamond Store Co. (Bear Creek, Foster, Woodward, Rutledge, Ottumwa) -- S.H. Blount (Des Moines) -- Blyth Supply Co. (Rose Hill) -- Bolton & Hoover, or Bolton Supply Co. (Bolton, Oskaloosa) -- G. Brantingham Co. (Buxton) -- Brooks-Sullivan Supply Co. (Fraker) --Carpenter Mercantile Co. (Saylor) -- Central Supply Co. (Cleveland, Hilton, Pekay) --Coal City Commercial Co. Store (Coal City) -- Coaldale Supply Co. (Clive) -- Coalfield Supply Co. (Coalfield) -- Colfax Mercantile Co. (Coalfax, Seevers) -- Consolidated Mercantile Co. (Mystic) -- Crescent Supply Co. (White City, Whiteburg, Eddyville, Lovilla) -- Cricket Supply Co. (Cricket, Bussey, Buxton) -- E.J. Deland (Coalfield) -- Diamond Mercantile Co. (Mystic) -- Dinning & Mitchell Store (Cincinnati) -- Jos. M. Drake (Exline) -- English Creek Supply Co. (Knoxville) -- Everist Mercantile Co. (Everist) -- J.J. Flannery (Saylor) -- Flannery Supply Co. (Carney, Ankeny) -- Fowler & Wilson Coal Co. (Rathbun) listed in Dodrill with asterisk --Fraser Mercantile Co. (Fraser) -- N.W. Funk (Colfax) -- Gantz & Kellogg (Bidwell, Albia, Avery, Bussey, Georgetown) Garfield Supply Co. (Beacon & perhaps Evans) --Globe Machinery & Supply Co. (Des Moines) -- Gold Goose Supply Co. (Hamilton) --

James Gray (Buxton) -- Hamilton Mercantile Co. (Hamilton) -- Harris Merchandise Co. Ottumwa) -- H.W. Hayes, (Coalfied) -- Frank Haynes (Mystic) -- High Bridge Supply Co. (High Bridge) -- Hillabidle Bros. (Eddyville) -- Hiteman Supply Co. (Hiteman) -- Hocking Supply Co. (Hocking) -- Horocks & Whalen (Mystic) -- Wm. Humason (Coal City, Centerville) J.W. Jamison (Numa, Seymour) -- J.L Johnson (Dallas) -- W.D. Johnson & Co. (Boone) Dodrill shows asterisk for coal co. - Kelly & Co. (Fraser) -- Laddsdale Supply Co. (Centerville, Laddsdale) -- Lewis Bros. Co. (Oskaloosa) -- Lockman Supply Co. (Lockman, Albia, Hickory) -- Lodwick Bros. (Mystic, Diamond) -- David Lodwick & Co. (Mystic, Diamond) -- Logue Supply Co. (Beacon) -- Lost Creek Supply Co. (Lost Creek) -- Lucas Supply Co. (Lucas) -- M. & ST. L. (Lockman) -- Maple Supply Co. (Lovilla, Eddyville) -- Mitchell Supply Co. (Lakonta, Knoxville) -- Montoe Mercantile Co. (Buxton) -- Morgan Bros. Co. (Oskaloosa) -- Nagle Supply Co. (Lovilla) -- Neagle Supply Co. (Stark, Oskaloosa) -- J. Neasham (Seevers) -- Norwood Supply Co. (Berwick, Norwoodville) -- Ogden Supply Co. (Ogden) -- Olmitz Supply Co. (Chariton, Olmitz) -- Owens Mercantile Co. (Carney) -- Pascoe, Jones & Co. (Hamilton, Bussey) -- Pekay Supply Co. (Oskaloosa) -- Pershing Supply Co. (Pershing, Tracey) -- D.W. Plessner (Mystic) -- Ramsay & Co. (Evans) -- Rex Supply Co. (Rex, Lovilla, Bussey, Lakonta, Buxton) -- P. Reynolds (Des Moines) -- R.T. Shys (Mystic) -- Lee Sampson (Lucas) -- Saylor Supply Co. (Saylor, Marquisville, Enterprise) -- Scandia Supply Co. (Madrid, Phildia, Zook Spur, Scandia) -- J.H. Shaffield Supply Co. (Mystic, Brazil, Diamond) -- C.C. Sheppard & Co. (Des Moines) -- Smith & Lowe (Des Moines, Carbondale) -- Spring Creek Supply Co. (Oskaloosa) -- J.J. Stone & Co. (Rathbun, Mystic) -- Sullivan Supply Co. (Albia) --Sunshine Store (Centerville, Brazil) -- Union Supply Co. (Cleveland, Hilton, Pekay, Oskaloosa, Boxton) -- A.A. Visser (Buxton) -- J.B. Vriezelaar (Otley) -- R. Ward (Blakesburg) -- Ward Supply Co. (Ward, Albia) -- C.C. Ware (Hocking) -- W.A. Wells & Co. (Buxton) -- Frank Weston (Unionville) -- White & Co. (Waukee) -- Zook Supply Co. (Madrid, Zook Spur)

(Editor's Note: Now, all you token collectors can have a field day looking for coal scrip tokens among Iowa tokens!! Keep us posted on any new finds!! Too, below is the map by Patrick Hogan showing the location of some of the coal areas in Iowa. Thanks,

Pat, for a wonderful contribution to "SCRIP TALK".)



Coal Mine Scrip Is On The MOVE!

The following tokens were NOT manufactured to the best of my knowledge. Any exceptions that you note should be reported to the editor. Too, if you like information of this type, please let us know. Incidentally, many collectors reported at Huntington that they make notes for their individual records of this type of material. Saves lots of time when you are looking for a token that might not exist!!

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P. Kenna operated a saloon in Dedham. It was the first saloon to open in the town. Mr. Kenna hand but one hand & the other was in a jar of preserative on the back bar. Imagine some drung staggering in for a drink & being served by a one handed bartender & seeing the other had in a jar on the backbar.

Mr. Finken of Earling operated a general store & had the customary line of tokens to pay for merchamdise. When the time came to discontinue the use of tokens, they were redeemed & poured into the privy pit. Thus buried.

Another Finken store also in Earling used tokens & in the end the tokens were buried by being placed inder the corner post of a new fence around Finken's yard.

W.E. Rowe & co. used tokens in connection with thier store cooperating with the coal mines of Lucas. When the use of tokens was discuntinued the Rowe & Baker boys took the tokens to Des Mounes & cast them into the Des Moines river, from the north river bridge. Does anyone know which is the north river bridge?

Gantz and kellogg operated several stores for the coal mining companies around Lucas, Bidwell, Georgetown, Avery, & Bussey. When the time came to desstroy the recalled tokens, the tokens were placed in a sac & thrown into the city reservoir.

The Minburn Co-operative store of Minburn used tokens & to keep the recalled tokens out of the hands of persons who might try to redeem them after the correct date. they were put in a hole under the new drive for a service station & covered with con-

Jim & Jake were the propieters of the DuMont Mercantile Co. of DuMont, Iowa. Shortly before the lone survivor of the two passed away, an old customer came into the store & asked the owner for one of his \$5 tokens as a keepsake. He got the token. Shortly after that the owner of the store went on an errand & the customer entered the store & demanded that the clerk redeem the token in merchandise. This angered the merchant & he refused to let any more tokens out. All of the owners of the store are long since dead but the tokens are still locked up in a lawyers safe.

Mrs. Peterson, the last survivor of the DuMont Mercantile co. of Dumont operated the store for many years after the original partners died. Mrs. Peterson was nearly deaf so she had a helper. The helper was almost blind but they ran the store for a long time.

The Star dairy of Lansing used tokens. Rather that buy them from a supply house, the owner of the dairy had them cast in aluminum by a foundary in a near by town. The the milk tokens are not scarce but they are the only known cast tokens used in Iowa.

Alfred Stinn of Panama, Iowa used tokens. I stopped by one day & asked if the store had used token. Mr. Stinn reached under a near by safe & hauled out several boxes of tokens. Most of them were in new condition thus it is assumed they were not used to widely by the local people. These tokens were stamped on a red fiber material & are the only set of such mercantile store tokens to be made of this material. Other businesses of Iowa had a few token of fiber but none with a complete issue of 5¢ thru \$1.

Mistakes by die cutters on token are not at all scarce. Some of the tokens of J.A. ASCHTGEN of Cascade were stamped with the abreviated town name which should have benn CAS. The tokens came out GAS, Ia.

One Issue of the tokens of Mueller's Holstein dairy of Guttenberg were stamped Buttenberg. A die sinkers error.

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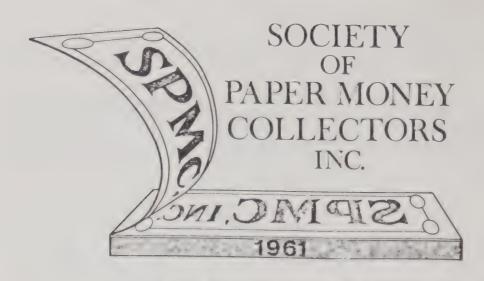
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Gerome Walton to address SPMC Luncheon at Central States Show in Lincoln, April 19

Gerome Walton of Colorado Springs, Colorado, author of "A HISTORY OF NEBRASKA'S BANKING & PAPER MONEY" will be the featured speaker at the Society of Paper Money Collectors luncheon & regional meeting to be held Saturday, April 19 at 11:00 a.m. at the Pershing Auditorium in Lincoln, Nebraska, in conjunction with the Central States Numismatic Society Convention to be held April 17-20, 1980.

Walton's topic will be "A Deeper Look at Nebraska's Paper Money." Gerome Walton is a native Nebraskan, having been born & raised in Geneva, Nebraska. His interest in numismatics dates back to the early 1950's. An interest in Nebraska numismatics developed about 1965 & he has been heavily involved in research in this field since then. His book on Nebraska banking & paper money was published in 1979.

Advance reservations for the SPMC luncheon in Lincoln are required. For further

information contact Wendell Wolka, Box 366, Hinsdale, Illinois 60521.

The Society of Paper Money Collectors had its beginnings in the 1960 Boston ANA Convention, when a group of paper money collectors met informally & agreed that a



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national organization would be desirable. The next year, an organization of collectors of tokens, medals, & paper money was formed. At the 1961 Atlanta ANA Convention, the two groups split, forming the SPMC & Token & Medal Society, which is still going strong.

The Society has about 2,300 members, most of them residing in the U.S. & Canada, but with some foreign representation. Among the many benefits of SPMC is a quality bimonthly publication, PAPER MONEY, which features excellent articles on all

aspects of paper money by the top experts in the field.

The Society has also published a number of books on the obsolete notes & scrip of several states, including Texas, Florida, Maine, Minnesota, Indiana, Mississippi & Vermont. Also a book on the National Bank Notes of 1929-1935. All of the books except the Vermont work are in print & available from the Society. SPMC members may purchase the books at considerable discount.

Dues are \$10 a year for both junior & regular memberships. Members who join the Society prior to October 1 receive the magazines already published for that year, as well as those afterwards. For those joining after October 1, & before the end of the year, their magazine subscription begins with the next year, and the November issue is

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